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ABSTRACT

The Southeastern New Mexico Bilingual Program for 1971-72 was evaluated in this report. The academic growth in both English and Spanish and the self-image of 20 bilingual children randomly chosen from the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades were compared to 20 students in the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades in the standard program. Groups were matched by chronological and mental age, IQ, family income, family situation, number of children in family, parents' education and occupation, and home language. The evaluation instruments were the Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test in both English and Spanish; the Stanford Achievement Test; the Goodenough Draw-A-Man Test; the Self-Image Test; the Otis-Lennon Mental Ability; and the California Test of Basic Skills. Findings showed that the bilingual group fell lower in achievement than the control group; the bilingual program began to show improvement more in the higher grades; and the bilingual group did not lose any or its self-image during any one year although it did drop from the close of one grade to the close of another, whereas the control group lost during each year. (NQ)

FINAL EVALUATION REPORT

OF

SOUTHEASTERN NEW MEXICO BILINGUAL PROGRAM

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FINAL EVALUATION 1971-1972 SOUTHEASTERN NEW MEXICO BILINGUAL PROGRAM

The Evaluation Design

This final report attempts to follow closely the evaluation set-up as designed for the past school year. The design set certain goals to be attained in academic growth in both English and Spanish as compared to a control group in the standard program.

Another aspect of the design called for evaluation of the same groups in regard to the self-image. The goals set were to show that the children in the bilingual program would have a better self-image, be more responsive and less inhibited in realms of traditional restraints.

Informal study was given the reactions of teachers, aides, parents and community to the program with special attention paid to the increase of infrom former years.

The selection of valid instruments for this program and the population of this community has been quite a problem.

The Evaluation Instruments

- 1. The Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test is unsatisfactory for the pre and post testing needed throughout the several years. Some children remember from previous bouts with the instruments. It would be helpful if the Peabody Company would rearrange the order of picture designation for post testing. A Spanish version has been evolved by bilingual personnel who are thoroughly acquainted with the local variety of Spanish. However, the test should involve a different set of pictures from time to following time.
- 2. The Stanform Achievement Test which has been used from necessity is inadequate for children not too well acquainted with the English language and especially not with the Stanford terminology.
- 3. The Goodenough Draw-A-Man Test was used for aid in choosing the matching Bilingual and Control groups of children. This is not always a sure thing as older siblings have sometimes supervised artistic efforts in pre-school years. However, there is no section in the Evaluation Design for treatment of the Goodenough Test.
- 4. The Self-Image Test devised for use in this area suffered when some children started marking the item in the same position each time possibly because of lack of understanding. The spring copy was rearranged to prevent this and it proved more reliable. The wording should be changed to conform to first grade recepts. The understanding of words such as "many", "few", "sometimes", and "somethings" are not too well understood by the average beginner.



5. The Otis-Lennon Mental Ability was given city-wide to first grades in the fall so the Bilingual Department followed with another in the spring. It was also given to the second and third grades by the Department, furnishing material for an interesting comparison with the scores from the Peabody.

The California Test of Basic Skills was administered as a city-wide test in the spring and repeated in the fall. If the Bilingual Department wishes to continue the SAT program it would be well not to include the results of the California in its evaluative processes.

6. The testing program suffers some what because of the variety of administrators, conditions and length of the processes. Since all children involved are scattered throughout various rooms in various schools, there is always a greater degree of adjustment for some than others. It might be well to collect all participants by bus to a room unfamiliar to any and the test administered to the entire groups by the same person.

Matching Control Group

The original plan for selection of a matching control group for the Bilingual children has been carried ou each year from the inception of the program.

The Bilingual group of twenty youngsters chosen at random from the year's first grades are categorized and twenty counterparts are searched out for the Control group. Matching was done on the following basis:

Each bilingual student was matched with a standard program student as to:

- 1. Chronological age (within two months).
- 2. Mental Age (within three months).
- 3. I.Q. (measured on same instrument, within ten points).
- 4. Family on Welfare or not.
- 5. Family income comparable.
- 6. Family situation alike as to parents or parents at home.
- 7. Number of children
 - (a). three or less
 - (b). four to seven
 - (c). over seven
- 8. Occupation of parents
 - (a). skilled
 - (b). unskilled
- 9. Parents education
 - (a). under nine years
 - (b). over nine years
- 10. Home language
 - (a). predominately Spanish
 - (b). predominately English
 - (c). Spanish and English



Circumstances over which the Bilingual Department has no control can affect the groups considerably. Families move out of town or to a city school not involved with the program. Then replacements are necessary. Second, replacement screenings are often not so meticulously done and we sometimes find odd pairings. A second hardship is the high absentee factor, a condition nullifying complete analysis of any one group.

In the current year practice involving the spring Fiesta kept a high degree of excitement during the spring testing program (which unfortunately could not be further delayed). No doubt the scores of the Bilingual group suffered quite a loss.

Results of all recorded tests and fulfillment or lack of fulfillment are recorded in detail in the Bilingual office but only scores and percentages pertinent to the Evaluation Design are included in this report. Attempts have been made to follow the sequence of the design as closely as possible so that the reader may check for verification.



INSTRUCTIONAL COMPONENT

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE:

grade and cultural groups who did not speaking children of comparable age, Dominant Spanish speaking children in the Bilingual Program will learn 5% more of the standard curriculum as compared to dominant Spanish participate in the program.

FIRST GRADE BILINGUAL

FIRST GRADE CONTROL

WORD, PARAGRAPH, VOCABULARY

1.47%	
mean	
Group	

1.62%

0.0 as base line Assuming

1.62% 1.47% pupil gain Pupil gain

Control group gained .15% more than Bilingual group.

WORD, STUDY SKILLS

Group mean

1.50%

Control group gained .20% more than Bilingual group.

Stanford Achievement Test

Instrument Used:

ARITHMETIC

Group mean

1.50%

1.50%

No difference between groups.

Comment:

beginning first grade test, so assumption of 0.0 grade is made for base line

data.

1. Stanford Achievement Test has no

Limited Conditions:

2. Measurements for grades 2 and 3 are those of progress made from October to

May tests.

Results show performance objective was not achieved by 5.15% in Comprehensive Tests and by 5.20% in Word Study Skills. Total performance fell 5.175% below goal set.

Arithmetic and Spelling scores for 3rd grade were based on Metropolitan scores as none available in Stanford

Achievement Test.

as these 3 deal with comprehension. 4. Initials WPV mean Word Meaning, Paragraph Meaning, and Vocabulary



5. Spelling and Word Study Skills have also been combined.

the assumption that there was bias in the allocation Bilingual Program have lower averages leading to Study of I.Q.'s show first grades placed in of children.

Second Grade Bilingual

Second Grade Control

Third Grade Bilingual

Third Grade Control

Word, Paragraph, Vocabulary

Word, Paragraph, Vocabulary

22.95% Bilingual group gained 9.41% more than Control 32.36% Group Gain

Bilingual gain of 13.88% more than Control 29.31% Group gain

Spelling-Word Study Skills

31.78%

Spelling-Word Study Skills

Bilingual gain of 20.45% over Control 29.56% Group gain

Arithmetic

Group Gain 21.17% 12.60% Bilingual gain of 8.57% more than Control

Comment:

Bilingual group to have surpassed the Control group with a 14.30 group gain. It is especially worthy of note to see the greatest The third grade SAT results show the increase is in the comprehensive field.

Stanford Achievement Third Grade

Arithmetic

Gilingual gained 20.85% more than Control

52.63%

Group gain

32.33% Bilingual gain of 9.82% more than Control 42.15% Group gain

Comment:

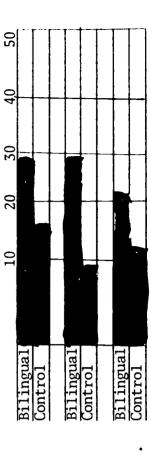
The second grade SAT results show the performance objective of the Dominant Spanish Speaking group was attained and also exceeded. The goal of 5% was reached and extended to 8.36% more. Lowest Achievement was in Comprehension which sivuld be highest.

Stanford Achievement Second Grade



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Non-Pominant Spanish Speaking	Bilingual
Children in the Bilingual Program will learn 5% more of the standard	Wor
curriculum as compared to Non- Dominant Spanish Speaking Children	Group gain
of comparable grade age, and cul-	0
tural group who have not participated	Spe
in the program.	H

Stanford Achievement Test Instrument Used:

Limiting Conditions:

- Both Bilingual and Control First feasible to compare the two groups. Spanish Speaking Child. It is not Grades had only one Non-Dominant
- are those of progress from May to May 2. Measurements for grades 2 and 3

Speaking Children in the Bilingual group and only 2 were present for the There are only 4 Non-Dominant Spanish

Arithmetic Test. The Control Group

also had only 4.

The Second Grade Stanford Achievement

Test results show the Non-Dominant

- 3. Comprehensive Tests (Word Meaning, Paragraph Meaning and Vocabulary) are combined
- Word Study Skills and Spelling are combined
- used in 3rd grade, since some teachers did not give Stanford Achievement Test 5. Use of California Test had to be Arithmetic.

Second Grade

Words, Paragraph, Vocabulary

Control

Bilingual

25.54% ngual gained 16.04% over Control 41.58% ıp gain

30.24%

Group gain 9.55% Bilingual loss 20.69%

Words, Paragraph, Vocabulary

Control

Third Grade

50.34%

30.68

Bilingual loss 29.7%

Group gain

Spelling and Word Study Skill

Spelling and Word Study Skill

40.56% Group gain 48.43% 40.56 Bilingual gained 7.87% over Control

Comments:

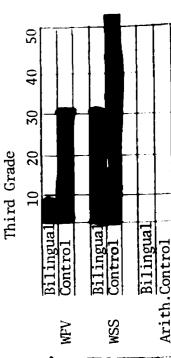
Due to absentees, test not worthy of

recording.

Comment:

Bilingual third grade. The Control Group had 7 but only 5 were present Spanish Speaking Children in the There are only 4 Non-Dominant for the Arithmetic Test. The Third Grade Stanford Achievement goal set. The average loss to the Control Group was 25.92% causing them to fall short of their goal by Spanish Speaking Children of the Bilingual Group fell far below the Test results show the Non-Dominant ual Group attained the goal set with a 30.92%. 14.63% gain over the Non-Dominant Spanish Speaking Children of the Control Group. Spanish Speaking Children of the Biling-

50 40 30 20 Second Grade 10 Bilingual Control Bilingual Bilingual Control MSS ΜPV



Control

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Performance Objective

Non-Dominant Spanish Speaking Children in Lab Group will score as high as, or higher than the Non-Dominant Spanish Speaking Children of comparable grade, age, and Cultural Group who have not participated in the Program.

Limiting Conditions:

- Spanish Speaking Child. The Lab Group had 9 in the The Control Group had only one Non-Dominant first grade.
- Measurements for first grades will be based on 0.0 grade and any progress made will of necessity be the percentage of progress.
- 3. Categories are the same as those on previous

THIS CAN IN NO WAY BE CONSIDERED VALID THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN ARE TOO FEW.

First Grade

Lab (5) Children

Control (1) Child

Word, Paragraph, Vocabulary

Lab loss of .26% 1.84%

2.5

Spelling and Word Study Skills

2.5

Lab loss of .66%

Arithmetic

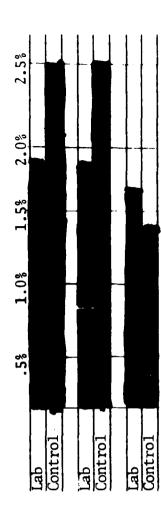
Lab gain .33%

Average Lab loss .58%

Comments:

one child in the Courrol Group has an I.Q. of 105 while the average I.Q. of the Lab Group is 95. No Lab Child reached the reading scores of the Control Child. This can in no way be deemed a valid comparison.

First Grade



Arithmetic

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Performance

Dominant Spanish Speaking Children in the Lab Group will learn 50% more of the standard curriculum as compared to Dominant Spanish Speaking Children of comparable age, grade, and cultural groups who have not participated in the program.

Limiting Conditions:

- 1. The Lab Group has 11 Dominant Spanish Speaking Children while the Control Group has 19 in the First Grade.
- 2. The ll in the Lab Group average 84.7 in I.Q. although one girl is 124. The lowest is 62.
- 3. The Control Group has an average I.Q. of 93.6 the lowest being under 79.
- 4. No Lab Groups for Second and Third Grades.

First Grade

Lab

Control

Word, Paragraph, Vocabulary

1.22%

1.62%

Lab loss .40%

Spelling and Word Study shills

Spe

1.6%

No loss

Arithmetic

Gain 1.4

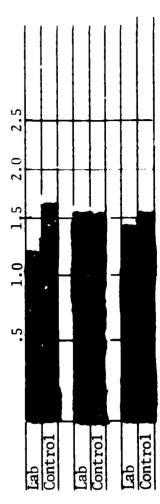
1.50

Lab loss .1

Comment:

The loss of the Lab in regard to the Control is .27% or about 1/4% but the 5% goal was not reached so the Lab Group fell short of its aim.

First Grade



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SUMMARY OF STANFORD ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS

Grade 1 - Results in first grade show the following:

- 1. The Bilingual Group as a whole fell .175% lower in Achievement than the Control Group.
- 2. The Non-Dominant Spanish Speaking Children of the Lab Group fell .58% lower than Non-Dominant Spanish Speaking Children of the Control Group.
- 3. The Dominant Spanish Speaking Children of the Lab Group fell .1% lower than Dominant Spanish Speaking Children of the Control Group.
- 4. I.Q.'s of the Bilingual Group average 94.9, Non-Dominant Spanish Speaking Children of Lab Group average 94.0 I.Q., Dominant Spanish Speaking Children of Lab Group 84.7.
- 5. I.Q.'s of rooms not involved in the program range from 99 to 105.

Obviously, there was a bias in allocation of first graders. The four sets of tests were done under rather harrowing circumstances as the children were excited in their praciticing for a Fiesta that same week. The Fiesta members were principally from the Bilingual Groups. The excitement on the part of the performers could easily account for a 5% error in response.

It will be well to note the small percentages quoted. The amounts are so minute as to be unworthy of note. Indeed, the average of the entire summary is so superior to results of achievement in years previous to the program that we may regard the above results as being very optimistic.

Recommendations:

- 1. Eliminate fall testing (except as dictated by school policy) for second and third grades.
- 2. Find out from school the series of tests that will be given and utilize for the program by giving the same as post-test in the spring.
- 3. Omit Otis Lennon Mental Ability Test for spring.
- 4. Begin April 15 or thereabouts for testing.
- 5. Begin a search for more adequate testing vehicles--such as criterion developed tests.

INFORMAL FINAL EVALUATION RESULTS

Page 8 of the Evaluation Design has the Process Objectives, Bilingual Component, thus: "All children will be taught by Bilingual teachers utilizing both English and Spanish for teaching purposes on a 50% classroom time basis." In a question-naire given the teachers and aides at the close of the school year this question evoked the recorded answers:

Question: "To what extent was your classroom conducted in a bilingual

manner?" (two languages used for instruction)

Answer: More English than Spanish .39%

One subject taught in Spanish

Two or three subjects in Spanish .44% All subjects taught bilingually .15%

The answers do not specify how often these classes were taught in Spanish. If they were given equal time the 15% group reached the goal set. The other groups would of necessity affect the over all picture. Perhaps a 30-% would be a correct



extimate. Visitation revealed the fact that all rooms allowed for a definite Spanish lesson in which vocabulary and pronunciation were emphasized. It appeared that oral participation by the pupils was inadequate in many classrooms.

In the Spanish Lab Component wherein it was designated that "All children will be taught standard curriculum by the use of a teacher-teacher aide team where at least one member of the team is bilingual. The bilingual aide will present all areas of the curriculum in Spanish under direct supervision of the lab-teacher on a 15 hour per week basis depending on teacher diagnosis of required instruction." Since the aides were in the classroom only in the mornings this would have required their constant teaching in Spanish. This was not accomplished. Even though 57% of the instructors felt teaching subject matter in Spanish is very important and 38% felt it is of some importance, they are constantly aware of the demands of a rigidly English curriculum and push hard to meet those demands. This situation is often seen in the sacrifice of the sciences for the requirements of reading. On site visitation showed there were efforts being made in the way of visual aide to help attain more efficiency and understanding in the Spanish language. The involved people realize the situation, are trying to adjust the daily routine to accomplish the desired goals and many express a desire to "have more time". The most outstanding achievement in the work is the advance of the para-professionals from clerical work to instructional activities.

The Evaluation Design (pagel0) states: "Students in the Program will be regularly instructed in the Spanish Language skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing as outlined in the curriculum guide". This was to be checked by the Project Director in his monthly observations of the teaching and the inspection of lesson plans and teaching materials. The director made more frequent observations than designated in the Design and he noted that better results were obtained and teaching was more effective as the lesson plans were better planned.

A questionnaire prepared for all personnel reveal that although everyone felt the importance of teaching in Spanish, not so many were too sure of accomplishment. That may be because several of the professionals knew so little of the language themselves. Some pertinent questions and answers in line with this goal are:

Question: In your opinion, how well are your students prepared to operate

in a bilingual setting?

Answers: Have had little preparation. 5%

Have had some preparation. 45% Have had adequate preparation. 25% Will do well. 25%

Question: How much improvement has the Spanish surname child made in

his Spanish?

Answers: 5% or less 2% of teachers

 10%
 17%

 30%
 26%

 50%
 28%

 70% or more
 27%



Question: Now much improvement has the English surname child made in

his Spanish?

Answers: 5% or less no instructors

10%	13 plus %
30%	27 plus %
50%	22 plus %
70%	36 plus %

From astudy of the above figures we draw the conclusion that the teachers are not too sure of the results of their bilingual efforts. The first question drew forth some revealing answers. However, in the primary grades many pupils can not adequately express themselves in their native tongue and writing stories is a rather sketchy affair. If first and second grade children do write a few Spanish sentences it is an accomplishment.

The Design page 12 repeats this goal in regard to the program from the English "Language skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing as outlined in the Curriculum Guidelines." The teachers in this program are very good ones and "hew the line" as regards the English Curriculum Guidelines. These are their feelings regarding the influence of the two language effect:

Question: In your opinion, what percentage of Spanish Surname Children

in your class learned at least 5% more of the standard cur-

riculum as a result of bilingual instruction?

Answers: 10% or less 15 plus % of teachers

 30%
 20 plus %

 50%
 20 plus %

 70%
 25 plus %

 90% or better
 15 plus %

Question: In your opinion, what percentage of Spanish Surname Children

in your class have learned as much of the standard curriculum even though part of the instruction was bilingual?

Answers: 10% or less 5% of teachers (approximately)

 30%
 2%

 50%
 20%

 70%
 25%

 90% or better
 45%

Question: In your opinion, what percentage of English Surname Children

in your class have learned as much of the standard curriculum

even though part of the instruction was bilingual.

Answers: 10% or less 5% of teachers (approximately)

30% 8% 50% 2% 70% 17% 90% or better 64%



The answers to the queries definitely show the feeling that the Program is helpful to both groups. The response to the English Surname Children surpassed the Spanish Surnames which is surprising as well as pleasing. This overcomes any objection that sometimes arises over the English Speaking Child being slowed down in his learning.



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grade and cultural background) not participating in the Program All students in the Program Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test will score higher individually than comparable students (age, on the Spanish version of the by the following standards:

- a. Dominant Spanish Speaking Students by 5%
- Non-dominant Spanish Speaking by 10%

- All students in the Program Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test will collectively score higher than comparable students (age, on the Spanish version of the participating in the Program by the following standards: grade, and background) not
- a. Dominant Spanish Speaking
 Students by 10%
- b. Non-Spanish Speaking
 Students by 12%

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FIRST GRADE Bilingual Dom. Sp. Sp. Control E	SECOND GRADE Biling. Dom.Sp. Control	DE Control	THIRD GRADE Biling. Dom.Sp. Control
	6 or 43% Individual	-	8 or 16% Individual
U	exceeded Comparisons	ns	exceeded Comparison
	5% goal		by 5%
rison 409%	Total Comparison 409% Total Comparison		Total Comparison
	326%	163%	
	20% Av. Goal of	N.	Av. Goal Av.
Bilingual exceeded by +74%	27% 10% reached	13%	67% 10% 55%
	Non-Dom. Indiv. Control	trol	Biling. Non-Dom. Control
Indiv. Compar. Less 100% S	100% Sp. Sp. Bilingual		are ex- Sp. Sp.
	2 exceeded		exceeded Indiv.
	by 10%		by 10%
	Non-Dominant		Bilingual Non-Dominant
	Total		Sapnish Speaking
•	4%	83	Total
100% /	Av. Exceeded Av.		283% -57%
	4 by more than 20%		Av. all exceeded
			by 20%

- Dominant Spanish Speaking Individual
- The one non-dominant Spanish All students did not score higher than their counterparts Group did exceed his match by 10% Speaking Child in the Bilingual by 5%. 61% did.
- a. All Dominant Spanish Speaking Students in Bilingual group did exceed all those of the Control Group by more than the required Total
- The goal was achieved except for Students did exceed those of the shows a great improvement over percentages of previous years. 1. (a) above However, the 61% All Non-Spanish Speaking Control by the 20% set.

a. All students did not score higher than their counter-Dominant Spanish Speaking parts by 5%. 43%did. Individual

Goal not reached

a.

Goal reached

Goal reached Goal reached

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Total Goal

Speaking Individual Dominant Spanish

- 2; b. The Non-Dominant Spanish Speaking of the Bilingual did score the anticipated 5%. a. Goals of 10% increase Total
 - superiority of 20% over control b. Bilingual Group Non-Spanish reached by Bilingual Spanish Speaking Group did show a over Control Group was Speaking Group.
- group. Only 1 (a) above was not achieved.



PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE

tridents will show the following: Program and comparable control the Peabody Picture Vocabulary Individual comparative scores Test between students in the on the English version of

- Dominant Spanish Speaking a. Dominant Spanish Speakin Project Students will exceli by 5%.
- Project Students will score Non-Spanish Speaking as high as control group students.

Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test between students in the program and comparable control students on the English version for the Collective comparative scores will show the following:

- Dominant Spanish Speaking Project Students will excell by 10%.
- Non-Spanish Speaking Project Studnets will score as high as control group students.

FIRST GRADE INDIVIDUALS

English

SECOND GRADE INDIVIDUALS

English

THIRD GRADE INDIVIDUALS

Biling. 13 children

13 children 1 individual or

7% reached the expected goal

50% exceeded their counter-

6 indiviudals or

18 children 12 children

Biling.

Control

parts by the expected 5%

exceeding their counter-

parts by 5%.

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44% reached the goal of

8 individuals or

Biling. 18 children

over the Control.

4 children

1 child

12 children

Control

English

2 children Spanish Speaking or 50% did 1 individual Non-dominant as well as their Control counterparts. 2 children 4 children 2 individual bilinguals or 50% did a. well as their

Control counterparts:

one control child by 5%.

First Grade Totals

Jom. Sp. Sp.

The one bilingual child

the

(100%) did excell

Second Grade Totals

Jom. Sp. Sp.

85% Third Frade Totals Dom. . خر 93%

94%

The Bilingual excelled

Av. 12%

Av. 27%

The Bilingual excelled

by 14%

Av. 41%

740%

153%

496%

Sp. Sp.

Non-Dom.

Non-Dom. Sp. Sp.

by 5%.

The Bilingual excelled by 1%.

Non-Dom. Sp. Sp.

The Bilingual excelled by .5% 4 % Av. 4.5% Av.

Av. 15%

42% Av.

Av. 2%

18%

∞ %

The Bilingual excelled by

(9%)

16%

170%

27%

The Bilingual excelled by

50% of the Bilingual revealed a 5% increase over children exceeded their counterparts by the expected.5% 44% of the comparisons

b. 50% of the Non-Dom. Sp. Sp. children did as well as their Control Counterparts.

higher but this is not a

valid scoring.

This child scored

their counterparts.

children reached the goal. a. Total Dom. Sp. Sp.

the goal.

In the total compari-Project students did score son the Bilingual students did not reach the expected The Non-Dom. Sp. Sp. 10% goal. This child reached

Sp. children did as well as their children exceeded their counter-50% of the Non-Dom. Sp. parts by the expected 5%. 7% of the Bilingual Control counterparts.

the Bilingual students did not In the total comparison reach their 10% goal. ю •

high as the Control Counterparts b. The Non-Dom. Sp. Sp. Project students did score as on the whole.

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the whole.

as high as counterparts on



Performance Objective

All students in the Porgram will have a 5% better self-image than control students of comparable age, grade, and cultural group not in the rogram as measured by a self-image scale.

First Grade Self Image

Bilingual surpassed	Coal reached		Bilingual exceeded	Goal reached		Bilingual exceeded	Goal reached.
% Inc. +9.8%	-5.3		+6.6%	-17.1		.07%	-11%
st Emerical Inc.	17	Second Grade	20	61	Third Grade	17	-27
Spring Test 345	304.0	Seco	319	294	Thir	274	199
Fall test 314	321.3		299	355		257	566
Bilingual	Control		Bilingual	Control		Bilingual	Control

COMMENT:

- 1. One tester mentioned that during the Fiesta practice a crit.cal remark caused many children to mark themselves low in musical accomplishment. This further shows the influence of teacher morale-boosting or belittling. It also reflects the volatile emotions of a child in regard to himself.
- 2. Tests show both groups are high at the beginning of their school careers. Both lose their self confidence at an alarming rate.

SUMMARY FOR PEABODY AND SELF-IMAGE

A study of the Spanish version of the Peabody Test reveals comparative results in the three grades involved. All fell short or the aspired 5% higher goal on the part of individual Bilingual Dominant Spanish Speaking Children when compared to their Control counterparts. It is interesting to note that had the children's positions in the line-up been changed the percentage would have risen 30% in the first grade, 7% in the second and 77% in the third grade. This last group would have lacked only one child reaching the desired goal. It is quite evident the program begins to show the improvements more in the higher grades- a very valuable point to remember. It is also necessary to keep in mind the fact that the Bilingual beginners as a group were so located as to fall about 5 points below other first grade rooms in their respective I.Q.'s. This fact should not be lost in the continuing process of comparison as the years pass by. It is unreasonable to require children to make progress of 5% more than children of higher I.Q. It is more than enough if they can just keep abreast.

In the English version of the Peabody Test the results show the highest percentage is with the first grade with a gradual drop through the third. This does not necessarily mean the saturation point is being reached but it may point favorably to an expanding basis from which to figure progress percentage. Although the performance objective in the Evaluation Design was not met, scores were quite complimentary in the light of the limiting conditions-differing I.Q.'s, unfamiliarity with phraseology, outside interferences, etc.

The results of the Self-Image test cannot be too valid as emotions are exceedingly hard to measure. Children are so susceptible to praise, criticism, home disturbances, a previous bad grade, disapproved clothing, etc. that accurate measurements are impossible. The Bilingual Group, however, lost none of its self image during any one year, although there was a perceptible drop from the close of one grade to the close of another. Each of the Control Groups lost during each year, increasingly so beyond the first grade. Although this is a difficult area to measure it is probably the most important factor in the learning rate of any child.



STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND MATERIALS PRODUCTION

In the way of Staff Development (Evaluation Design pp. 15, 15a, 16, 16a,) five workshops for both professional and para-professional personnel were held:

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September 11, 1971 - Bilingual Education - Orientation of Faculty - 57 present.

September 14, 1971 - Ethnic Folklore - 58 present.

October 9, 1971 - Accountability - 63 present.

December 17, 1971 - Open Classroom - 77 present.

March 24, 25, 1972 - Cultural of Mexican-American Child - 66 present.
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These served the purpose of providing opportunities for further development in instructional methods, evaluation strategy and curriculum development. The purpose was to enable teachers to diagnose areas of learning difficulties and to recommend correctional and instructural procedure. The teachers expressed themselves concerning workshops and in-service training thusly:

- 27% felt them to be of average effectiveness
- 34% thought they met the needs
- 39% felt they were very good.

Furthermore in Staff Development (Design pp. 17, 17a, 18, 18a,) equipment was installed in classrooms when feasible or left at the Project Office awaiting call. Training was given in use of the many available machines. Materials of great variety were available and supplies constantly replenished. New Materials were constantly being developed with five volumes of the Treasure Book of Stories being completed. Teachers were urged to request any materials they might desire and those orders were sent in. 48% of the teachers felt the materials were of average effectiveness, 25% thought them above average and 12% felt them to be very effective. In measuring the extent of usage of materials, 27% used some materials, 30% used about half of them, 35% used more than half and 7% used all the materials available. 9% of teachers felt the materials lacking in Spanish, 27% thought them average in availability, 32% thought their needs had been met and 32% felt the materials very adequately available.

The School-Community Coordinator kept very detailed daily record of all events and visits that pertained to community involvement and her huge scrapbooks have caused much excitement and heightened interest of Bilingual activities. Enthusiasm has grown from the publicity given all the field trips, entertainments, parent involvement and library. The 20% increase expected has obviously been reached in Community Involvement as noted in the Design p. 19, 20, 21. Attendance at school affairs rose 219%, field trip participation some 75%. Library popularity increased about 80% with users including teachers, high school students and townspeople not ordinarily too library-conscious.

In accordance with the Design p. 22 and 23 the Project Director has fulfilled the extensive list of requirements. In addition he has had to work over his budget countless times to satisfy requests from higher offices, entertain so many out of town interested persons involved in similar projects and listen to so many tales of woe that this evaluator is amazed at his ability to be so patient, tenacious, and efficient.

